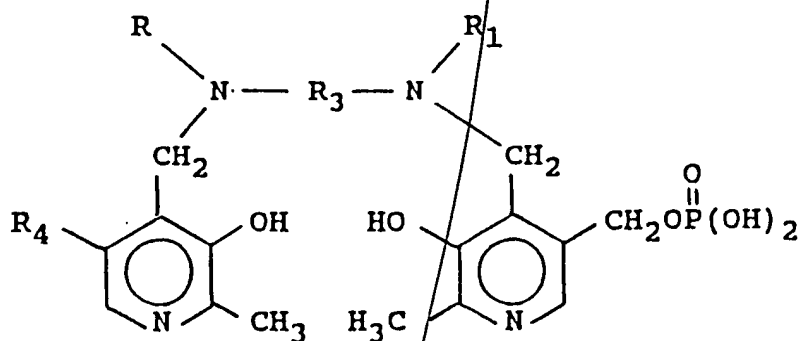


In the Claims

Cancel Claims 9 and 20-54.

Amend Claim 1 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A [chelating compound] chelate of the formula with a metal ion having an atomic number within the range of 21 to 29, 42, 44 or 58-70:

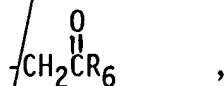


wherein

R is hydrogen or



R₁ is hydrogen or



and one of R and R₁ is other than hydrogen;

R₃ is alkylene having from 1 to 8 carbons,

1,2-cycloalkylene having from 5 to 8 carbons, or

1,2-arylene having from 6 to 10 carbons, or

R₄ is hydrogen, hydroxymethyl, alkyl having from 1 to 6 carbons [or] ;